

POST SHORTS

Recycling schedule



The recycling pickup for Wednesday, Feb. 2, is paper. Put items in paper bags, boxes or bundles and place them on the curb.

Monthly RAB meeting Tonight

The Installation Restoration Program will hold its monthly Restoration Advisory Board meeting 7 to 9:45 p.m. tonight, at the Edgewood Senior Center on Gateway Road. The topics are the Westwood and the Other Aberdeen Areas Study Areas.

Board meetings are open to the public; all APG employees and community members are invited.

For more information, call the Information Line at 410-272-8842 or 1-800-APG-9998.

Vet Facility holds night clinic

The APG Veterinary Facility will hold a night clinic noon to 7 p.m., Jan. 28 for cat and dog vaccinations. Walk-in's only.

For more information, call Cpl. Kenneth Cole, 410-278-3911.

Military Marriage Seminar offered

The APG Chapel will host a Military Marriage Seminar Jan. 28 and 29. The seminar can rekindle that "just-married" feeling. Couples who care enough about their marriage to make it better should attend the Military Marriage Seminar at the Aberdeen Area post chapel. Space is limited.

Call 410-278-4333 or stop by the chapel and complete a registration form. Cost is \$30 per couple. The seminar is open to everyone.

KWVA Chapter 271 membership drive is on

The Korean War Veterans Association Upper Chesapeake Chapter 271 is renewing its membership drive for 2005. All eligible veterans and service members are encouraged to join this community service-based organization.

Membership is open to anyone who has seen honorable service in any of the

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Final task force departs APG



Photo by SEAN KIEF

Capt. Kevin Carrick, center, company commander of the Maryland Army National Guard's Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3rd Brigade (Forward), 29th Infantry Division, gives a final address to the Task Force Soldiers of Noble Eagle IV after their departure ceremony at the Edgewood Area Recreation Center Jan. 19. The Task Force, which included Soldiers from the 2/115th Field Artillery, was charged with security missions on Aberdeen Proving Ground for the past nine months.

Yvonne Johnson

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The Aberdeen Proving Ground community bid farewell to members of the 2nd Battalion, 115th Field Artillery, Tennessee National Guard and Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3rd Brigade (Forward), 29th Infantry Division, (Light, Maryland Army National Guard Task Force, which served in security operations on the installation as a part of Noble Eagle IV since April 2004, during a ceremony at the Edgewood Area Recreation Center Jan. 19.

The departure signaled the final phase of the Noble Eagle Task Force operation that began in 2001 after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

Col. John T. Wright, APG Garrison and deputy installation commander, led the ceremony.

Guest speakers included Billy W. Forrester, security manager, Aberdeen Chemical Disposal Facility, a

contractor employed by Booze-Allen and Hamilton who represented Lt. Col. Gerald Gladney, commander, Edgewood Chemical Activity; and Dion Guthrie, a member of the Harford County Council, who presented a Harford County proclamation to both units comprising the task force.

"The purpose of today's ceremony is to recognize, honor, and bid farewell to the Soldiers of Task Force 2/115th Field Artillery," said Janet Dettwiler, the program's narrator.

"These Soldiers were mobilized under Operation Noble Eagle IV and deployed to APG to assist in maintaining force protection and the site defense of critical national assets," she said.

Wright said that it was important to celebrate the Soldiers who, "came to protect us from the threat of terrorism."

"We celebrate the job you have done," Wright

said. "You performed superbly and are a credit to yourself, your unit, and the United States Army."

He commended the unit for working through tough schedules, and encouraged them to take pride in their service to APG.

"Continue and share your enthusiasm for service to the nation," Wright said. "Let people know where you've been and that you made a difference on APG. On behalf of a grateful nation, I want to thank each of you for answering the call of duty."

Forrester said that securing the stockpile of chemical weapons "has always been an important part of our mission at Aberdeen."

"You stood tall day in and day out and you were ready to respond to any specific threat," Forrester said. "You recognized the importance of the mission and responded with professionalism. We extend our

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Commander, 20th Support Command (CBRNE) promoted

Barry Napp

U.S. Army 20th Support Command

The commander of 20th Support Command (Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and high-yield Explosives or CBRNE), one of the Army's newest and most unique command and control headquarters elements, was promoted by Gen. Dan K. McNeill, commander, U.S. Army Forces Command Jan 18.

Brig. Gen. Walter L. Davis is the first commander of the 20th Support Command (CBRNE). Activated last October at Aberdeen Proving Ground, the new command is a FORSCOM major subordinate command and brings together command and control of the Army's most specialized weapons of mass destruction operational assets. This new organization provides a single

point of contact within the Army for the Department of Defense to call when a coordinated response to the threat or use of WMD is needed anywhere in the world.

"We are a changing Army and must remain flexible as we're at war," McNeill said. "Walt Davis is a special person with demonstrated action leadership who will help to make this Army great during this change, not only today, but tomorrow as well."

Current subordinate units include the 22nd Chemical Battalion (Technical Escort) and 52nd Ordnance Group (EOD), but future growth of the command will include activation of an additional explosive ordnance disposal group with three subordinate battalions, chemical brigade headquarters with an additional chemical battalion and an Analytical and Remediation

Directorate. The Army Reserve Unit – Consequence Management is also under operational control of the 20th Support Command (CBRNE).

"This promotion is a special event for both me and my family," Davis said. "They have given me unwavering support and encouragement throughout my entire career. For sure, I have served with the nation's finest Soldiers, NCOs and officers; it is they that have directly impacted on any successes I may have had in the past, or will experience in the future. It is simply a privilege to continue to serve our nation during this critical time of war."

The command is also responsible for managing DOD technical support to consequence management operations and provides CBRNE technical advice and subject matter expertise.

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Photo by CONRAD JOHNSON

Gen. Dan K. McNeill, commanding general, U.S. Army Forces Command, helps to promote Brig. Gen. Walter L. Davis, commander, 20th Support Command (CBRNE) during a recent promotion ceremony held at the Edgewood Area of Aberdeen Proving Ground. Davis' wife, Bonnie, and children Kyle, Lindsey and Ryan also were part of the event.

Army directed to evaluate chemical stockpile options

Jeff Lindblad

CMA

The Army announced Jan. 19 that it has received official direction from the Department of Defense to consider and evaluate relocation of some of the chemical weapons stockpile located at various storage sites across the United States.

DoD also directed the Army to investigate and develop other alternatives, along with relocation evaluations. According to the DoD directive, the major focus of all these evaluations is to develop alternatives to achieve an April 2012 deadline for 100 percent destruction of the U.S. chemical weapons stockpile.

In support of the December 2004 DoD Acquisition Decision Memorandum, the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army (Elimination of Chemical Weapons) and the Program Manager, Assembled Chemical Weapons Alternatives were tasked by the Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Chemical Demilitarization and Threat Reduction) to investigate relocation and other alternatives, as stipulated in the ADM.

"We have just received our directions from DoD on the matter," said Michael A. Parker, dual-hatted as the director of the Army's CMA and PM of DoD's ACWA program.

"CMA has been instructed to initiate an investigation that considers and evaluates relocation of some of the chemical weapons stockpile," Parker stated. "This will be done in an effort to help the United States achieve the extended 2012 Chemical Weapons Convention 100 percent destruction milestone."

The United States is a signatory to the CWC, an international treaty that calls for the destruction of all chemical weapons stockpiles.

The current 100 percent destruction date is April 29, 2007, however the United States requested and received an extension last year to Dec. 31, 2007, its 45 percent destruc-

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Grip and grimace on APG



Photo by YVONNE JOHNSON

Grandmaster Irving Soto demonstrates a headlock on student Arthur Belden, a U.S. Center for Health Promotion and Preventive Medicine civilian employee, during his Jan. 18 Jujitsu class. See feature story on page 9.

Registration open for Spring Fling Parade

Yvonne Johnson
APG News

Aberdeen Proving Ground youth clubs, athletic teams, and other family-oriented organizations are encouraged to register to participate in the Spring Fling Parade set for April 16 as part of the Child and Youth Services, Morale, Welfare and Recreation, and Army Community Service annual Spring Fest.

"The theme for the parade is 'Youth and Sports,'" said Chris Lockhart, MWR parade/sponsorship coordinator for the event. "The purpose is to make families aware of services available through CYS, MWR and other organizations that will be participating in the Spring Fest," Lockhart said.

"Outdoor Recreation will be a part of the Spring Fest," Lockhart added, noting that the annual Spring Expo showcasing summer sporting, camping and party equipment available for rental will be held the same day on Springfield Street, next to the Chesapeake Challenge Amusement Park.

Participants may register by mail, fax or in person by March 25.

To register by mail, fill out the form below, and mail it to Chris Lockhart, Support Services Division, P.O. Box 627, APG MD 21005, or FAX to 410-278-5285.

To register in person, visit the Support Services Division in building 2727, Room 116, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. by March 25.

The parade is a community-wide event, set to kick off 9:30 a.m. from the parking lot of the Post Theater. The parade runs 9:30 a.m. to 11, but entrants are required to report early.

Entries will compete in the following categories: Walking, Mobile and Special Recognition. Entries will be judged on originality of theme, costuming, over-all effect, construction (if applicable), special effects, artistic work and crowd appeal.

Lockhart said that volunteers are needed to assist along the parade route.

"It will be a challenge to keep things moving. We'd appreciate help from anyone who'd like to volunteer," Lockhart said.

For more information, contact Lockhart at 410-278-3904.

Registering

Rules

1. This is a family event and children will be among the observers. Use common sense and decency when planning entries.
2. Parade participants must not throw, spray, shoot, or otherwise project any water, liquid, mud, or any other offensive materials at spectators. Entrants will be responsible for keeping their starting areas clean at all times.
3. Absolutely no alcoholic beverages may be in the possession of parade entrants. Such action will result in the loss of any prize awarded.
4. Violators of these rules will be banned from future participation.

Additional information

- All children participating in the parade will receive commemorative ribbons.

Categories:

Walking

- Walking Youth (age 17 and younger) includes sports teams, cheerleaders and others. Only one first place prize will be awarded for each category.

- Walking Adult (age 18 and older) includes military units and others. Only one first place prize will be awarded for each category.

Mobile

- Patriotic Vehicle: any vehicle with a patriotic theme.
- Mobile Unit, Youth: any motorized vehicle driven by a child 15-years old and younger, including a go-cart, motorized scooter, skateboard, or decorated bicycle.
- Mobile Unit, Adult: any vehicle driven by an individual age 16 or older, including a lawn tractor (with or without small trailer), bus, car, van, motorcycle, or group of motorcycles.
- Classic Car: any antique or classic car.
- Ugly Truck: Any farm, forest, or custom assembled UGLY vehicle - judged on ugliness.

All entries are eligible for the following Special Recognition Awards:

- Best Show, most outstanding and crowd-pleasing
- Most Patriotic, involving a patriotic theme
- Best Original, any entry.

Registration Form

Registrant's name: _____

Registrant's street address: _____

Registrant's telephone: _____

Mobile or Walking: _____

Age Group: Youth or Adult _____

Title or name of entry: _____

Sponsoring group, organization, or business: _____

Are you using music or sound effects? _____

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Stockpile

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tion deadline.

The original 45 percent deadline was April 29, 2005. It is expected that the United States will apply for a one-time, five year overall destruction deadline delay to April 29, 2012.

"It is premature at this time to comment on the content of the evaluations," Parker said. "The Army has

OC&S awards MLK participants

Yvonne Johnson
APG News

The U.S. Army Ordnance Center and Schools distributed awards for participants in the essay and display contest observing the Martin Luther King Jr. observance during a ceremony in building 3071 Jan. 20.

Col. Charles Huffman, OC&S assistant chief of staff for Army Reserves, presented plaques to:

Essay winner, Yaury Hill and Dr. Lori Hill, U.S. Army Medical Research Institute for Chemical Defense

Essay runner-up, Joyce Johnson, Kirk U.S. Army Health Clinic

Display winner, Basic Noncommissioned Officer Course Class 501-05, Staff Sgt. James Carr, small group leader

Other essay participants included Drill Sgt. Careen Brooks, Company C, 143rd Ordnance Battalion, and 2nd Lt. David Brown III, Company E, 16th Ordnance Battalion.

Huffman said that the OC&S observances, which coincide with Equal Opportunity ethnic observances throughout the year, give people a way to "come together to celebrate diversity."

"This proves that we can come together and address our differences," Huffman said.

It was evident that a great deal of time and effort went into the submissions, he added.

"The entries display a lot of knowledge. We appreciate the effort you put into it," he told the awardees.

The contest theme was

"Remember, Celebrate, Act: A Day On Not A Day Off."

With that in mind, the Soldiers of BNCOC Class 501-05 focused their display on the Civil Rights movement. A laptop computer displayed a video slide show of scenes from the Civil Rights struggles of the 1960s to the music of Sam Cook's "Change is Gonna Come."

The display featured photographs of King giving speeches and relaxing with his family, a biographical sketch detailing his awards and honorary degrees, and excerpts from his famous "I Have A Dream" and March on Washington speeches.

Staff Sgt. James Carr, small group leader, said he knew the class was capable of producing a "good product."

"When you put good NCOs together they come up with good ideas," Carr said. "They did it in a short amount of time which shows how quickly they can react."

Two of the class members, Staff Sgts. Wesley Sellers and Shane Mote agreed.

"To be here today to receive this award shows that people enjoy viewing it as much as we enjoyed creating it," Mote said.

Sellers, who was acting squad leader at the time the project was done, added that the group simply followed their SGL's lead.

"Staff sergeant Carr had a vision of what he wanted, and we took his vision and brought it to life," he said. "These Soldiers deserve all the credit."

Task force

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sincere gratitude for your service."

Wright presented Capt. Kevin Carrick, company commander, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3rd Brigade (Forward), with a Noble Eagle Coin in recognition of the unit's performance.

Dettwiler said each member of the task force would receive a coin and a letter of appreciation signed by Michael Parker, director of the U.S. Army Chemical Materials Agency, on behalf of the U.S. Army Materiel Command.

Carrick said his unit, based on the Eastern Shore, owed much of their success

to the APG Garrison and provost marshal.

"The support was excellent," Carrick said. "We couldn't have asked for a better group to support us."

Col. Gregg Cunningham, task force commander from the 2/115th Infantry headquartered in Tennessee, noted that while most of the task force members hailed from Maryland, the staff members were from Tennessee. He praised the troops for a "very successful mission," and said that not all will be returning to their homes.

"They will be returned to National Guard status but some may be going on to other assignments," Cunningham said. "I appreciate what they've done and I look forward to serving with them again."

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Photo by CONRAD JOHNSON
Gen. Dan K. McNeill, commanding general, U.S. Army Forces Command passes a general officer flag to Brig. Gen. Walter L. Davis, commander, 20th Support Command (CBRNE). Sgt. Maj. Mark Froom, acting, 20th Support Command (CBRNE) and Mrs. Bonnie Davis assist during a recent promotion ceremony.

Developmental Test Command Soldiers, civilians receive recognition



Robert Carter, center, recipient of a Defense Department award for establishing a new joint-service agency to manage test resources, confers with Frank Bartosik, left, and Lou Brown, employees whose work he oversees.

Mike Cast
DTC

The Developmental Test Command honored four Soldiers and 11 civilian employees in a ceremony Jan. 20 at its headquarters on Aberdeen Proving Ground.

Robert Carter, chief of DTC's Directorate for Plans and Operations, received an Award of Excellence plaque from the Office of the Secretary of Defense for the work he did from June 2003 through March 2004 to establish the Defense Department's Test Resource Management Center in Arlington, Va. Congress mandated the center be established to ensure DoD has the planning and resources necessary to support ranges and facilities across the United States that are vital to military testing and evaluation.

The award citation credits Carter as the driving force behind setting up the new organization and creating a charter approved by Deputy Secretary of Defense Paul Wolfowitz in March 2004.

Brig. Gen. Michael

Combest, DTC commander, described Carter's efforts to establish the new organization as an "enormous workload," and lauded him as an Army employee who is a thinker, "very energetic" and pragmatic in managing issues of importance to the Army and DoD.

Gary Holloway and Theodore Wieworka both received the Department of the Army Achievement Medal for Civilian Service.

Holloway, chief of DTC's Public Affairs Office, received this award for work he did between August 2002 and July 2004. The award citation credits him for helping the Army communicate its test and evaluation program to journalists and the public, particularly the program at the Aberdeen Test Center to test and evaluate more heavily armored light tactical vehicles and armor kits for fielded vehicles as reserve units deployed to Iraq.

Describing Army public affairs as a job that often goes "underpaid, unrecognized and under-appreciated," Combest

noted its critical importance to the Army in connecting with the American public.

Wieworka, an electronics engineer and DTC test manager, received the Achievement Medal for Civilian Service for "excellence and superior performance" from January 2000 to July 2004. The award citation credits him for consistently providing a high level of support to Army test programs. The citation reads, in part, "His knowledge, expertise and management ability have positively influenced many of the communications systems in the Army today and most of those to be fielded in the near future."

Combest lauded him as a "big-brained, eminently practical" person who is dedicated to supporting the American Soldier.

Laura Haug, an attorney who is DTC's chief counsel, received the DTC Commander's Award for her involvement in the Base Realignment and Closure data collection process as well as a certificate recognizing 25 years of serv-

ice to the U.S. government. The award citation credits her for the work she did from January to April 2004 as a member of the DTC headquarters BRAC team and for her expertise in the development and review of BRAC data for the Army and DoD.

Combest underscored Haug's "tremendous impact" during 25 years of service to the Army, adding that attorneys keep military organizations and commanders out of trouble. The award reflects her "exceptional service," he said.

Lorraine Wilkerson of DTC's Information Services Team received recognition for 40 years of service to the Army and U.S. government. She has worked at DTC and its predecessor organization, the former U.S. Army Test and Evaluation Command, for 30 years.

Norm Harrington, who works in DTC's Tank-Automotive and Armaments Division, and Patricia McDonald, an employee in the Management and Manpower Division, both received recognition for 30 years of service. Harrington has worked at TECOM and then DTC for 21 years, and McDonald has been employed there for four-and-a-half years.

Along with Haug, Chee Chan an employee of DTC's Soldier, Command and Control, Communications and Information Electronic Warfare Division, received recognition for 25 years of service. Chan, a chemical engineer, has worked at TECOM and DTC for 19 years.

Robert Gauss, an employee of the same division, and Nancy Sheets, who works in DTC's Directorate for Plans and Operations, both received recognition for 20 years of service. Gauss has worked at DTC for about three-and-a-half years, and Sheets has spent 16 years working for the organization.

Combest told the award

recipients and employees recognized for length of service that Soldiers appreciate the work they do every day – sometimes working 14 hours a day, seven days a week to accomplish urgent tasks. "When Soldiers and commanders get a piece of equipment, they know it's going to work because of the positive impact of the work you're doing every day," he said.

Nathaniel Ciano for their performance in the color guard during DTC's change of command ceremony Oct. 27 of this year.

The DTC commander praised the Soldiers for giving his predecessor, Brig. Gen. Keith McNamara, a "great send-off" and noted that they "richly deserved" the recognition.

DTC is an Army organization that tests military weapon systems and equipment before they are fielded to Soldiers for use on the battlefield.

SCHOOL
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EDUCATION

Spring enrollment for the K12 tutoring program begins

The Aberdeen and Edgewood Area Youth Services K12 program is available for children who are struggling to keep up with their classes, or just need a little extra help.

The program is offered at a very low cost to parents.

The K12 after-school program for grades K-8 is offered by K12 Inc., a national education company that provides an outstanding curriculum and learning program to thousands of families and schools across America.

Workbooks, games, and Internet technology are used to work with teachers and parents to give students an education for a lifetime.

A tutor is provided weekly or twice weekly at each youth center.

Lessons are provided both at the youth center and at home to help boost students' achievement in math, reading and writing.

A teacher will also help guide parents to reinforce each child's learning.

The K12 after-school program includes:

- K12-approved courses in math, phonics, reading and writing.
- Workbooks, games, activities and more to help students succeed.
- Printed and online student performance reports for teachers and parents
- Weekly tutoring sessions at the youth center.
- Lessons combining technology with classroom instruction and hands-on materials.
- Regular achievement tests tied to lessons.

The program costs \$45 per course and is available only to military and civilian families employed at the Aberdeen or Edgewood areas. Course materials and tutoring sessions are included. Supplies are limited.

For more information or for enrollment, call Sandy Fallon at 410-297-6629, or visit the the K12 Web site, www.k12.com.

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armed forces of the United States, said service within Korea and without Korea, June 25, 1950 to Jan. 31, 1955, or to any member of the armed forces who served honorably in Korea from Feb. 1, 1955 to present.

The chapter meets the last Monday of the month, 7 p.m., at American Legion Post 128

in Aberdeen.

For more information, contact Nick Guerra, chapter president, 410-272-0458.

WACVA Maryland Free State Chapter 70 to meet

The Women’s Army Corps Veterans Association, Free State Chapter 70 will meet at the Aberdeen Senior Center 11 a.m., Feb. 5.

Issues to be discussed include supporting upcoming events for the year at the Perry Point V.A. Medical Center.

Women veterans and active duty service members are welcome to attend Chapter 70 meetings to learn more about the organization that serves the veterans of Harford and Cecil counties and the service members of Aberdeen Proving Ground.

The chapter meets every first Saturday at the same location.

For more information, contact chapter president Judy Fortier at 410-272-4911.

KUSAHC offers flu vaccine to military eligible

beneficiaries

Kirk U.S. Army Health Clinic is encouraging all military eligible beneficiaries to get protected by getting a flu shot. Eligible health care beneficiaries include those who are active duty or retirees and their eligible family members.

The Kirk Immunization Clinic at Aberdeen is open Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to noon, closed each day for lunch noon to 1 p.m. and reopens Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 1 to 4 p.m. On Thursday afternoon, the hours are 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

For more information or updates, call the Flu Vaccine Hotline at 410-305-FLUV (4-3588).

New program seeks volunteers

The Aberdeen Proving Ground Minority College Relations Program is seeking volunteers from the Garrison and tenant activities to build a Minority College Relations Team.

The MCRT will identify and develop collaborative programs that will strengthen minority colleges, APG's viability to participate in and ben-

efit from federal programs, and enhance APG's future readiness by partnering with these colleges and institutions.

For more information, call Neslie Etheridge, 410-278-1131.

NCOA holds Dining Out

The Noncommissioned Officer Academy will hold its 5th Annual Anniversary Dining Out Feb. 17 at the Comfort Inn Richlin Ballroom in Edgewood.

The anniversary will honor past NCOA commandants from 1987 to present. Ticket cost is \$30 per person, and an RSVP must be received by Feb. 11. Tickets will be on sale until Feb. 15.

For information and RSVP, contact 1st Sgt. June Conley at 410-278-2408, DSN 298-2408 or e-mail june.conley@ocs.apg.army.mil.

MCSC offers half-year membership

The Military and Civilian Spouses' Club is offering half-year membership January to June for \$7.50.

For more information, call Sarah Novak, 410-297-8158.

Community Notes

SATURDAY JANUARY 29 SOUL FOOD DINNER

The women of St. James A.M.E. Church, 615 Green Street are offering a Soul Food Dinner, 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The cost is \$7 for a chicken dinner and \$10 for chitterling dinner. Side dishes will be potato salad and either collard greens or green beans.

The program will benefit the church's Annual Woman's Day program scheduled for March 13.

For more information or to place orders, call 410-939-2267.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 2 MEETING OF DAV CHAPTER 30

Bel Air Chapter 30, Disabled American Veterans will meet at 7 p.m. at the American Legion Post 39, 500 Conowingo Road, Bel Air.

For more information, call

Wanda Story, 410-272-5040. For information on how to join, call George Mitchell at 410-879-0861.

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 8 PANCAKE SUPPER

The women of St. James A.M.E. Church, 615 Green Street, Havre de Grace, are

hosting a Pancake Supper, 5

to 7 p.m. The menu includes pancakes, eggs, grits, sausage, bacon, cream beef, biscuits, fried potatoes, orange juice, coffee and tea.

The cost is \$7. The program will benefit the church's Annual Woman's Day program scheduled for March 13.

For more information, call 410-939-2267.

Movies

ADMISSION: ADULTS \$3.50, CHILDREN \$1.75
Building 3245 Aberdeen Boulevard
To verify listing, call 410-272-7520.

LEMONY SNICKET’S A SERIES OF UNFORTUNATE EVENTS

Friday, Jan. 28, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 29, 9 p.m.

Starring: Jim Carrey,
Meryl Streep

This is the story of the Bauredelaires, three young orphans, Violet (Emily Browning), Klaus (Liam Aiken) and Sunny, who are looking for a new home.They are taken in by a series of odd relatives and other people, including Lemony Snicket (Carrey), who narrates the film, and starting with the cunning and dastardly Count Olaf (Carrey), who hopes to snatch their

inheritance from them.
(Rated PG)

SPANGLISH (FREE ADMISSION)

Saturday, Jan. 29, 7 p.m.

Starring: Adam Sandler,
Tea Leoni, Paz Vega

Cultures collide as Flor (Paz Vega), a beautiful Mexican woman, and her 12-year-old daughter move in with an affluent Los Angeles family (Adam Sandler, Téa Leoni and Cloris Leachman). Of all the horrors Flor imagined about this new culture, she never fathomed the peril of being truly embraced by an upscale American family. (Rated PG-13)



Morale, Welfare & Recreation

Activities

Operating hours

The MWR Registration, Tickets and Leisure Travel Center is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday thru Friday, and 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., the first and third Friday of every month. If that is a training holiday, the office will be open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on the Thursday prior.

For more information, call 410-278-4011/4907 or e-mail mwr_registration@usag.apg.army.mil.

Engraving machine at Arts and Crafts

The Arts and Crafts facility has a new engraving machine.

The New Hermes Gravo-graph, with its state-of-the-art font and ornamental capabilities gives customers a wider selection of graphics for special occasion plaques.

Used mainly for plaques and trophies, one new capability includes the option to space letters randomly instead of using straight lines.

A large plaque selection includes a selection of accessories and eight to 10 different metal colors.

The standard fees for engraving include 10 cents per letter and 15 cents per square inch of metal. Plaques range from \$4 to \$40 and accessories, such as organizational crests, are additional.

Anyone who has taken the Framing Class can use the area for \$5 a day.

For more information, call 410-278-4207.

Sit Down and Laugh Comedy Show

Ricky Shackelford Productions presents comedians Dee-Shaw, Jimmy, Will-E, Justin Schiegel and Ricky Shackelford in a comedy show to be held Feb. 5 at the APG Post Theater.

Tickets cost \$10 for upper level advance, \$15 for lower level advance and \$20 at the door.

Doors open at 8 p.m. and the show starts at 9 p.m. To purchase tickets or for more information, visit www.apgmwr.com or MWR Registration, 410-278-4907/4011.

Reserving a picnic area

Installation units and activities have until Jan. 31 to make their reservations for use of the Maryland Boulevard Picnic area. On Feb. 1 the picnic area will be open for public organizations and individual reservations.

The Maryland Boulevard Picnic Area is located adjacent to Route 755 gate entrance on Maryland Boulevard.

This area is operated on a reservation basis for major organizational picnics for weekends and holidays.

Off-post groups and weekend groups pay a \$250 user's fee. Fees must be paid within two weeks from the time the request is received at Outdoor Recreation.

The park has two 50-by-90 pavilions, several picnic tables, a large cooking pit, several individual barbeque grills, a softball field, a basketball court, three sand volleyball courts, four playground areas, four horseshoe pits, bathrooms, games, a dunking booth, a public address system and free ice (from our machine located at the park.)

For reservations, contact Mary Brousseau, 410-278-5789, e-mail her at mary.brousseau@usag.apg.army.mil, or fax 410-278-4160, or come to Outdoor Recreation, building 2407, Aberdeen Area.

Paint your own

Edgewood Area Arts and Crafts now has a "Paint Your Own Ceramic Studio."

The ceramic studio is open to all APG civilians, active duty military, contractors and reservists and their depend-

ents. No previous artist skills are required.

There is a wide assortment of gift items to choose from.

Hours of operation are 1 to 9 p.m., Thursday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Friday and Saturday in building E-4440, next to the Military Police Station.

For more information, call 410-436-2153.

Disney on Ice!

Join Mickey and Minnie as they travel the globe visiting magical lands on ice. Join Lil and Stich as they embrace "Ohna, the family spirit of Hawaii; fly away to Never Land with Peter Pan and Tinkerbell, escape with Ariel and Sebastian under the sea; and make tracks to London with 101 Dalmatians, all without leaving your seat. Pre-order tickets before they go on sale to the general public.

This event is held at the 1st Mariner Arena in Baltimore Feb. 9 for \$13 and Feb. 10 to 13 for \$16.25. Show times vary daily.

Last day to purchase tickets is Feb. 3.

For more information or to purchase tickets, contact MWR Registration, Tickets and Leisure Travel Center at 410-278-4907/4011 or e-mail mwr_registration@usag.apg.army.mil.

Biking for beginners

This class is for the beginning bicyclist wanting to learn skills required for recreational biking. Bike maintenance will also be covered as it relates to keeping equipment in safe operating condition. Learn about local opportunities for biking clubs, trips and races.

Classes will be held 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., Feb. 1 and 8 at the

Stark Recreation Center. Cost is \$15. Register by Jan. 27.

Basketball Triathlon Challenge

This event will be held at Hoyle Gym 2 to 6 p.m., Jan. 29, and at the APG Athletic Center 2 to 6 p.m., Feb. 26.

The events include Basketball Three Point Perimeter Shooting, Basketball Free Throw and Horse.

There will be cash prizes awarded. Cost is \$10. Register by Jan. 27 for the EA Challenge, and Feb. 23 for the AA Challenge.

Bowling specials

Jan. 28 is the Cosmic Bowling Special, 9 p.m. to

closing. All games are \$1.50 and shoes are 75 cents.

For more information, call 410-278-4041 or e-mail dave.brewner@usag.apg.army.mil.

Basic plumbing

This course will teach participants how to make plumbing repairs in their home or business including how to repair pipes and stop leaks, what steps to take in emergency situations, and when to look for warning or danger signs and why. The proper way to care for and maintain existing fixtures and other plumbing apparatus will also be covered.

Classes will be held 6 to

7:30 p.m., Feb. 2 and 9, and 6

to 7 p.m., Feb. 16 and 23, in

Auto Crafts. Cost is \$25.

Register by Jan. 28.

LIBRARY BOOK CORNER

Operating hours of the Aberdeen Area Library, building 3320, are 1 to 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday and 11:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. The Edgewood Area Library is open 11:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Tuesday. For more information, call 410-278-3417.

The following is a list of some new books available at the APG MWR libraries:

Pearl by Mary Gordon

Maria Meyers receives an urgent call from the U.S. State Department on Christmas Day in 1998. Her 20-year-old daughter, Pearl, has chained herself to the flagpole of the U.S. Embassy in Dublin and is near death after a six-week fast and several days without water.

Puppet by Joy Fielding

Alone by Lisa Gardner

The Executioner's Game by Gary Hardwick

Cavalcade: a mystery by Walter Satterthwait

The library's Web site, www.apgmwr.com/recreation/libraries.html provides access to the library's online catalog and also has a complete annotated listing of the library's new material, as well as a list of available films on DVD.



For more information or tickets on the following two events, contact Angela Keithley, 410-278-4603 or e-mail angela.keithley@usag.apg.army.mil.

Party like the 70's

Join MWR for an evening of 70's music, dancing and fond memories of a not-so-forgotten time, 8 p.m. to midnight, Jan. 28 at Top of the Bay.

Light fare included, along with a cash bar. Attendees must be at least 18 years of age to attend and 21 years of age to consume alcohol. Proper identification is required.

Tickets cost \$7 in advance and \$10 at the door.

Mardi Gras Ball

Everyone is invited to dance the night away and enjoy a delicious dinner featuring New Orleans cuisine, 7 p.m. to midnight, Feb. 26, at Top of the Bay. Dress up and wear a favorite mask, or one will be provided. Enjoy live music performed by the band "Fifth Avenue." Cost is \$45 per person.

**CWF
events,
trips for
2005**

Jan. 15
Scrapbook Crop
at Top of the Bay

Jan. 28
70's Party at Top
of the Bay

Feb. 26
APG Mardi Gras
Ball at Top of the
Bay

March 4 thru 6
Ski Trip to the
Poconos

March 18
Celtic Feast at
Top of the Bay

March 25
Behold the Lamb,
at Sight and
Sound and dinner
at Willow Valley

April 1
Dinner theater

April 19 thru 26
Trip to Holland

May 14
New York for the
Day

June 3
Caribbean Party
at Top of the Bay

June 24 thru 26
Weekend in Cape
May

July 15
Medieval times at
Top of the Bay

July 23
Broadway show
"Wicked" in New
York City

Aug. 8 thru 22
Alaskan cruise
and land tour,
including the Arc-
tic Circle

Sept. 9
Wine and cheese
tasting with an
evening of jazz,
the Fiore Winery

Sept. 17
Broadway show
in New York City

Nov. 25 thru 27
Weekend in New
York City, Radio
City Music Hall
C h r i s t m a s
S p e c t a c u l a r
optional one-day
visit or weekend
stay

MWR Fitness Classes

Monday thru Thursday

AA classes

EA classes

Thru March 31
AA Health & Fitness Center
(building 320; 410-278-9725)
Hoyle Gym & Fitness Center
(building E-4210; 410-436-
7134)
\$48 per quarter

Monday and Wednesday
Step: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
and 5 to 6 p.m.
Tuesday and Thursday
Power Sculpt: 11:30 a.m. to
12:30 p.m.
Kickboxing: 5 to 6 p.m.

Monday and Wednesday
Power Step: 11:30 a.m. to
12:30 p.m.
Tuesday and Thursday
Power Sculpt: 11:30 a.m. to
12:30 p.m.
Yoga: 5 to 6 p.m.

SCHOOL LIAISON/YOUTH EDUCATION

Parent nights at local schools

Harford County Public Schools Parent Information Nights are being held as follows. For starting times, call a number listed below.

Edgewood Middle School
Cafeteria
Feb. 2
Chris Anderson, 410-612-1518
Fallston Middle School
Media Center
Feb. 3
Ron Wingate, 410-638-4129
Havre de Grace Middle School
Media Center
Feb. 9
Natalie Holloway, 410-939-6608
Magnolia Middle School
Multi-purpose Room
Feb. 22
Betty Mull, 410-638-3658
Southampton Middle School
Cafeteria
March 2
Barbara Sauer, 410-638-4150

**Driver's Education classes
scheduled**

Youth Services will present winter and spring State-certified Driver's Education classes at Child and Youth Services, building 2752, room 210. Classes are 30 hours of instruction each and will begin on Wednesday and end on Tuesday of the second week. There will be no classes on holidays. Parents and students must attend the first hour of class together (Feb. 2, Feb. 16, etc.) to review rules and procedures.

The following classes are scheduled:
Feb. 2 through Feb. 15, 5:30 to 8:45 p.m.
Feb. 16 through March 1, 5:30 to 8:45 p.m.
March 2 through March 15, 5:30 to 8:45 p.m.
March 16 through March 29, 5:30 to 8:45 p.m.
March 30 through April 12, 5:30 to 8:45 p.m.
April 13 through April 26, 5:30 to 8:45 p.m.
April 27 through May 10, 5:30 to 8:45 p.m.
May 11 through May 24, 5:30 to 8:45 p.m.

The cost is \$295 plus \$18 registration/membership fee for teens or family members 15 years of age or older, of military, retired, DoD (and DA) personnel and contractors who work at APG per student. Adults may also register on a case-by-case basis.

Registration will be held 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the

Outreach Services-Central Registration Office, room 110, building 2752. A minimum class size of three students is required, 21 students maximum.

To make an appointment to register and pay the fee, call Christina Keithley at 410-278-7571 or Pat Palazzi at 410-278-7479.

For more information about the Teen Driver Education program, call Greg Williams, Rules Driving School, Inc., at 410-939-7008 or 937-2184, or Ivan Mehosky at 410-278-2857.

Learn to play chess

Youth Services offers free chess classes for APG students 3rd grade and up at the Aberdeen Youth Center, building 2522, and Edgewood Youth Center, building E-1902.

Aberdeen Area classes will be held at the Aberdeen Youth Center 3:45 to 4:30 p.m., Mondays, for students 6th grade and up at and for 3rd through 5th graders. Edgewood Area classes will be held at the Edgewood Youth Center 4:30 to 5:15 p.m., Wednesdays for students 3rd grade and up.

Instructional booklets and chess sets are available to all participating students. Round robin tournaments will also be conducted. Sign-up with Charles Heinsohn at the times stated above, or call him at 410-278-3868

**Scottish Highland Dance classes
begin soon**

Youth Services will offer Scottish Highland dance classes for students ages five and up. Children of military and civilian employees at APG and sponsored students are eligible to register.

Scottish Highland dance classes cost \$55 per student per class (one hour instruction once per week for 14 weeks). An \$18 registration/membership fee is required for all students six years of age and up. Adults may sign up and pay fee to take the class with their son/daughter. A minimum number of eight students are needed to hold a class.

Classes will be held 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., every Saturday beginning Feb. 5, at the Aberdeen Youth Center, building 2522, Ballet Room. Beth Knight will be the instructor.

Registration will be held through Feb. 5. A parent orientation session will be held on Feb. 5 at the first class meeting.

For an appointment to register, call Christina Keithley at 410-278-7571 or Pat Palazzi, 410-278-7479 at the CYS Outreach Services-Central Registration Office, Room 110, building 2752, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information, call Ivan Mehosky at 410-278-2857.



Channel 21 features Pentagon channel programming

The Pentagon Channel will feature the following programs on Channel 21. These programs are subject to change each week and will be updated accordingly.

Monday

Army Health Watch, 2 a.m. and 3 p.m.
Air Force TV News, 8 a.m. and 8 p.m.
Studio Five, 9 a.m., 3:30 and 9 p.m.
Army Newswatch, 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Tuesday

Around the Services, 5:30 and 8 a.m., noon, 5:30 and 8 p.m.
Air Force TV News, 10:30 a.m.
Studio Five, 11 a.m. and 4 p.m.
Army Newswatch, 12:30 and 7 p.m.

Wednesday

Around the Services, 5:30 and 8 a.m., noon, 5:30 and 8 p.m.
Studio Five, 9 a.m., 3 and 9 p.m.
Army Newswatch, 9:30 a.m., 4 p.m.
Your Corps, 5 p.m.

Thursday

Around the Services, 5:30 and 8 a.m., noon, 5:30 p.m.
Studio Five, 7 a.m., 2 and 7 p.m.
Air Force TV News, 9 a.m. and 9 p.m.
Navy/Marine Corps News, 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Friday

Around the Services, 5:30 and 8 a.m., noon, 5:30 and 8 p.m.
Studio Five, 7 and 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Army Newswatch, 3 p.m.
Army Football, 4 p.m.

Saturday

Army Football, 4 a.m.
Around the Services, 5:30 p.m.
Army Newswatch, 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.
Air Force TV News, 3 p.m.
Your Corps, 1:30 p.m.
Studio Five, 8 p.m.

Sunday

Army Newswatch, 5:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.
Navy/Marine Corps News, 10:30 a.m. and 3 p.m.
Your Corps, 11 a.m.
Air Force TV News, noon
Army Healthwatch, 2 p.m.

Air Force TV News - Bi-weekly TV magazine on the men and women of the Air Force.

Army Health Watch - Health issues concerning military personnel.

Army Newswatch - Bi-weekly report on the men and women of the Army

Around the Services - From the Pentagon Channel NewsCenter, daily half-hour program featuring military news from top defense officials and the military services from around the world

Studio Five - A conversation with the military: Weekly interviews of Defense Department about today's top issues

Your Corps - Monthly view of the men and women of the Marine Corps

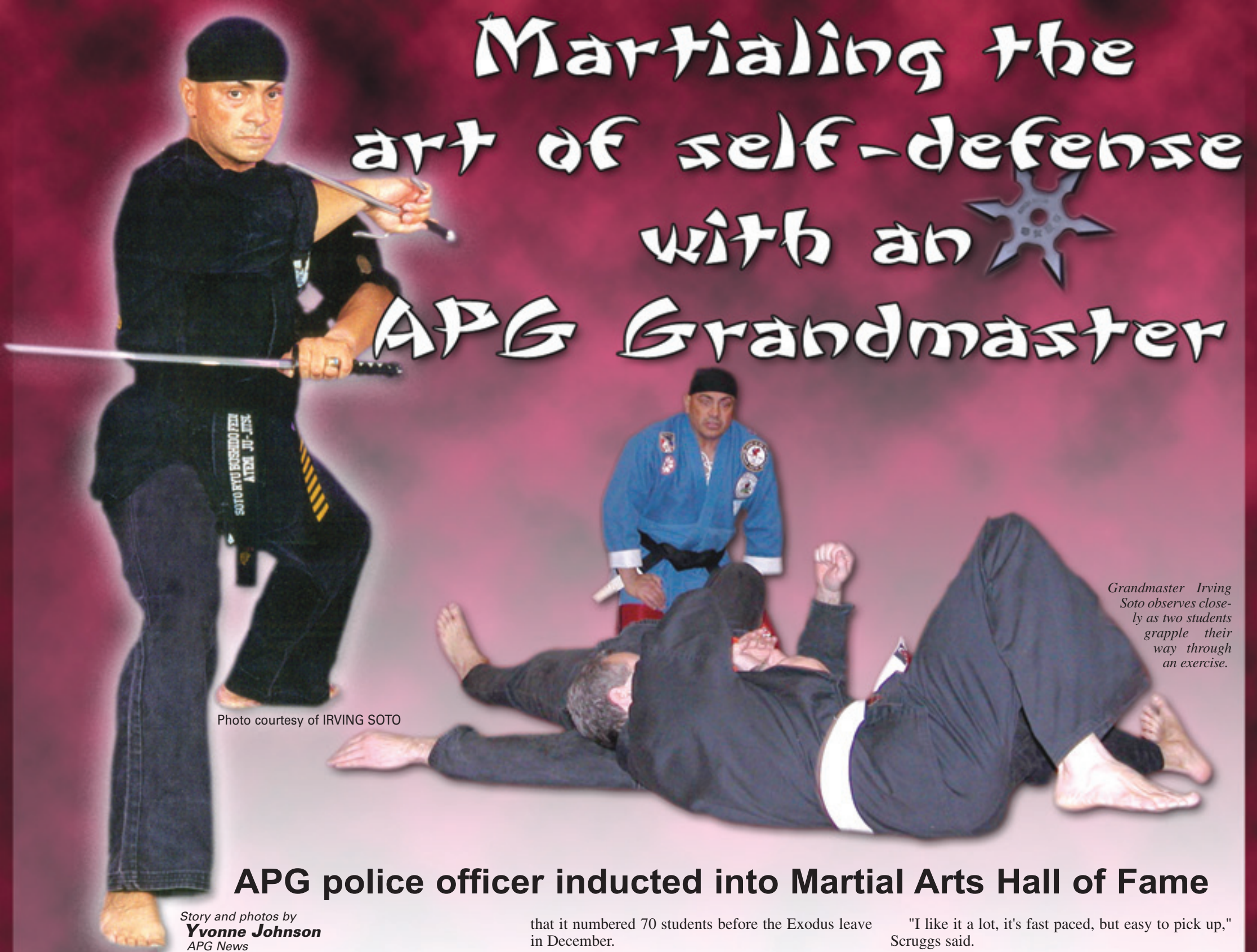


Photo courtesy of IRVING SOTO

Grandmaster Irving Soto observes closely as two students grapple their way through an exercise.

APG police officer inducted into Martial Arts Hall of Fame

Story and photos by
Yvonne Johnson
APG News

A martial arts Grandmaster with the Directorate of Law Enforcement and Security was inducted into the World Professional Arts Organization's 2005 Hall of Fame during a ceremony at New York's Madison Square Garden Jan. 7.

Officer Irving Soto, a Grandmaster 10th degree black belt, has been studying the martial arts for 48 years. He is a world champion kick boxer and grappler as well as a champion in Kumite, a form of extreme Japanese fighting.

In addition to his regular duties as an APG police officer, Soto has provided self-defense instruction to students in the APG Police Academy, and he currently conducts Jujitsu classes for Morale, Welfare and Recreation 6 p.m. on Tuesday nights at Russell Gym.

"He's done so much for this program, it's good to see him getting some recognition," said Charles Heinsohn, MWR program specialist.

Heinsohn said that Soto's class is popular among the installations' Soldiers, Airmen and Marines, and

that it numbered 70 students before the Exodus leave in December.

"Everyone who starts sticks with it," Heinsohn said, noting that Soto receives no compensation for his time.

"He gives so much of himself for this program. We are fortunate to be able to offer training by a true Grandmaster," Heinsohn said.

Soto said his motivation is his love and compassion for youths and their future.

"As a role model, you have to be able to set the example for children and even adults to look up to," Soto said. "I strive to be that example."

The students who attend his Tuesday evening sessions agreed that they are growing as they learn.

Shaundra Scruggs, a contractor with the U.S. Army Center for Health Promotion and Preventive Medicine, said that she enrolled in the class to learn self-defense.

"I like it a lot, it's fast paced, but easy to pick up," Scruggs said.

Sean Nelson, an Army contractor with Nelson Vending, takes the class with his son, Cameron, 15.

"We saw the [MWR] flyer [advertising the class] and thought it would be a good way to spend quality time together," Nelson said.

"I've always been a disciplined person, but this has a way of providing even more," he said.

Nelson's son, Cameron, an Edgewood High School sophomore, added that the self-control principles Soto teaches are helpful in daily life.

"His teachings stay with you," he said. "You can take [them] and apply [them] to situations when you have to be ready to cope. It's always in the back of your mind, ready for when you need it."

"The best part of the program is that it's an actual opportunity to test yourself," added Arthur Belden, a CHPPM civilian.

"I've surprised myself with what I've learned," he added. "Now I do it for the enjoyment."

Grandmaster Irving Soto

With all of his accomplishments, Soto said he continues to strive to achieve more. As a teacher and innovator of the martial arts he has helped many find direction and achieve personal success and happiness through hard work and dedication.

Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., Soto began early instruction in the martial arts learning Jujitsu as a young child studying different styles simultaneously. At age 14, he visited Japan where he became a Kata Champion in fighting and weaponry. By age 16 he was accomplished in Kung Fu.

Soto is a former sheriff's deputy with the New York State Sheriff's Department. For three years, as the Senior Tactical Defense Instructor, he trained deputies in tactical defense.

Soto is an eight-time World Kumite Undisputed Champion. He is the founder of the present system of Atemi Aiki-Jujitsu and the present system of Atemi Cobra-Jujitsu Te.

He is a five-time winner of Japan's Full-Contact Bare Knuckle Championship.

Soto has had more than 279 fights and 279 knockouts during his career as a fighter, which spanned from the early 1970s to the late 1990s.

Lifetime achievements

Soto's many achievements in the martial arts and in other areas are too numerous to mention.

Some of them include:

- Received a

National Sports Award from President Bill Clinton, 1996.

- President, Founder, and Executive Director of the 1st International Martial Arts Hall of Fame in San Diego, Calif., during which he received a Letter of Commendation from the Mayor of San Diego, Susan Golding and a Letter of Commendation from the Mayor of Hollywood, Johnny Grant.
- Shihan Richard Reyes, Secretary of the International Martial Arts Hall of Fame, presented Soto with a doctorate in the martial arts decree by international and local martial artists during the Golden Global International Martial Arts Hall of Fame in San Diego, Calif., Nov. 28, 1998, for his dedication to the communities youths and to the homeless.
- Soto is the author of the martial arts books: "Atemi-Jujitsu - Poison Hand Technique," 2000; "Atemi Cobra - Jujitsu" 1998; and "Atemi the Forgotten Art," 1997.
- Ranked one of the top 10 martial artists in the world Soto holds three red belts for achieving Grandmastery in three arts, Atemi-Jitsu, Aiki-Jujitsu, and Ninjitsu, and he is the last heir to and the highest authority of the complete art of Atemi Aiki-Jitsu and the present system of Atemi Cobra Jujitsu Te.
- One of the youngest to achieve grandmastery at the age of 32
- Trained members from many branches of the federal government departments in tactical defense including the Treasury Department, U.S. Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Agency, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Navy Seals Team.



Grandmaster Irving Soto demonstrates an agonizing leg twist on Sean Nelson.

- He has appeared on nationally televised programs such as Donahue, Inside Edition and NBC's Today Show.
- As an actor, he starred in the Latin American movie, "A Cry in the City" produced by Columbia Pictures in the 70s and consulted on two other films for the same company.
- He choreographed many movie fight scenes for Remo Williams, and did the stunts for the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles movie.
- He is an expert in all types of weapons from firearms to explosives. He is an expert in both traditional and modern weapons including Budo, Bojutsu, Tantojutsu, Sai, Nunchaku, Kendo, Iaido, Kyudo, and more.

"As a role model, you have to be able to set the example for children and even adults to look up to. I strive to be that example."

- Irving Soto



Illustration by BLAKE VOSHELL

During his Jujitsu class in Russell Gym on Jan. 18, Grandmaster Irving Soto, right, a police officer with the Directorate of Law Enforcement and Security, instructs Shaundra Scruggs in a hold technique on her fellow student, Sean Nelson.